Senate File 313 - Introduced

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(COMPANION TO HF 180)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act providing for the licensure of music therapists and
- providing for fees.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. Section 147.1, subsections 3 and 6, Code 2013,
- 2 are amended to read as follows:
- 3. "Licensed" or "certified", when applied to a physician
- 4 and surgeon, podiatric physician, osteopathic physician and
- 5 surgeon, physician assistant, psychologist, chiropractor,
- 6 nurse, dentist, dental hygienist, dental assistant,
- 7 optometrist, speech pathologist, audiologist, pharmacist,
- 8 physical therapist, physical therapist assistant, occupational
- 9 therapist, occupational therapy assistant, orthotist,
- 10 prosthetist, pedorthist, respiratory care practitioner,
- 11 practitioner of cosmetology arts and sciences, practitioner
- 12 of barbering, funeral director, dietitian, marital and
- 13 family therapist, mental health counselor, social worker,
- 14 massage therapist, athletic trainer, acupuncturist, nursing
- 15 home administrator, hearing aid dispenser, or sign language
- 16 interpreter or transliterator, or music therapist means a
- 17 person licensed under this subtitle.
- 18 6. "Profession" means medicine and surgery, podiatry,
- 19 osteopathic medicine and surgery, practice as a physician
- 20 assistant, psychology, chiropractic, nursing, dentistry,
- 21 dental hygiene, dental assisting, optometry, speech pathology,
- 22 audiology, pharmacy, physical therapy, physical therapist
- 23 assisting, occupational therapy, occupational therapy
- 24 assisting, respiratory care, cosmetology arts and sciences,
- 25 barbering, mortuary science, marital and family therapy, mental
- 26 health counseling, social work, dietetics, massage therapy,
- 27 athletic training, acupuncture, nursing home administration,
- 28 hearing aid dispensing, sign language interpreting or
- 29 transliterating, orthotics, prosthetics, or pedorthics, or
- 30 music therapy.
- 31 Sec. 2. Section 147.2, subsection 1, Code 2013, is amended
- 32 to read as follows:
- 33 1. A person shall not engage in the practice of medicine
- 34 and surgery, podiatry, osteopathic medicine and surgery,
- 35 psychology, chiropractic, physical therapy, physical

- 1 therapist assisting, nursing, dentistry, dental hygiene,
- 2 dental assisting, optometry, speech pathology, audiology,
- 3 occupational therapy, occupational therapy assisting,
- 4 orthotics, prosthetics, pedorthics, respiratory care,
- 5 pharmacy, cosmetology arts and sciences, barbering, social
- 6 work, dietetics, marital and family therapy or mental health
- 7 counseling, massage therapy, mortuary science, athletic
- 8 training, acupuncture, nursing home administration, hearing aid
- 9 dispensing, or sign language interpreting or transliterating,
- 10 or music therapy, or shall not practice as a physician
- 11 assistant, unless the person has obtained a license for that
- 12 purpose from the board for the profession.
- 13 Sec. 3. Section 147.13, Code 2013, is amended by adding the
- 14 following new subsection:
- 15 NEW SUBSECTION. 25. For music therapy, the board of music
- 16 therapy.
- 17 Sec. 4. Section 147.14, subsection 1, Code 2013, is amended
- 18 by adding the following new paragraph:
- 19 NEW PARAGRAPH. x. For music therapy, three members licensed
- 20 to practice music therapy and two members who are not licensed
- 21 to practice music therapy and who shall represent the general
- 22 public.
- 23 Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 154G.1 Definitions.
- 24 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise
- 25 requires:
- 26 1. "Board" means the board of music therapy designated in
- 27 section 147.13.
- 28 2. "Board certified music therapist" means an individual
- 29 who has completed the education and clinical training
- 30 requirements established by the American music therapy
- 31 association, has passed the certification board for music
- 32 therapists certification examination or transitioned into
- 33 board certification, and remains actively certified by the
- 34 certification board for music therapists.
- 35 3. "Music therapist" means a person licensed to practice

- 1 music therapy pursuant to this chapter.
- 2 4. "Music therapy" means the clinical and evidence-based
- 3 use of music interventions to accomplish individualized goals
- 4 within a therapeutic relationship through an individualized
- 5 music therapy treatment plan for the client that identifies
- 6 the goals, objectives, and potential strategies of the music
- 7 therapy services appropriate for the client using music therapy
- 8 interventions, which may include music improvisation, receptive
- 9 music listening, song writing, lyric discussion, music and
- 10 imagery, music performance, learning through music, and
- 11 movement to music. "Music therapy" may include the following:
- 12 a. Accepting referrals for music therapy services
- 13 from medical, developmental, mental health, or education
- 14 professionals; family members; clients; or caregivers. Before
- 15 providing music therapy services to a client for a medical,
- 16 developmental, or mental health condition, the licensee shall
- 17 collaborate, as applicable, with the client's physician,
- 18 psychologist, or mental health professional to review the
- 19 client's diagnosis, treatment needs, and treatment plan.
- 20 During the provision of music therapy services to a client, the
- 21 licensee shall collaborate, as applicable, with the client's
- 22 treatment team.
- 23 b. Conducting a music therapy assessment of a client to
- 24 collect systematic, comprehensive, and accurate information
- 25 necessary to determine the appropriate type of music therapy
- 26 services to provide for the client.
- 27 c. Developing an individualized music therapy treatment plan
- 28 for the client.
- 29 d. Carrying out an individualized music therapy treatment
- 30 plan that is consistent with any other medical, developmental,
- 31 mental health, or educational services being provided to the
- 32 client.
- 33 e. Evaluating the client's response to music therapy and
- 34 the individualized music therapy treatment plan and suggesting
- 35 modifications, as appropriate.

- 1 f. Developing a plan for determining when the provision of
- 2 music therapy services is no longer needed in collaboration
- 3 with the client, any physician, or other provider of health
- 4 care or education of the client, any appropriate member of the
- 5 family of the client, and any other appropriate person upon
- 6 whom the client relies for support.
- 7 q. Minimizing any barriers so that the client may receive
- 8 music therapy services in the least restrictive environment.
- 9 h. Collaborating with and educating the client and the
- 10 family or caregiver of the client or any other appropriate
- 11 person about the needs of the client that are being addressed
- 12 in music therapy and the manner in which the music therapy
- 13 addresses those needs.
- 14 Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. 154G.2 Requirements for licensure.
- 15 1. To qualify for a license to practice music therapy, an
- 16 applicant must be at least eighteen years of age and shall meet
- 17 all of the following requirements:
- 18 a. A bachelor's degree or higher in music therapy, or its
- 19 equivalent, from a program within an accredited college or
- 20 university which program has been approved by the American
- 21 music therapy association or any successor organization.
- 22 b. Successful completion of an examination approved and
- 23 prescribed by the board.
- 24 c. Hold in good standing a designation approved by the
- 25 board, including any of the following:
- 26 (1) The credential "music therapist board certified"
- 27 granted by the certification board for music therapists.
- 28 (2) A professional designation of registered music
- 29 therapist, certified music therapist, or advanced certified
- 30 music therapist and listed as such on the national music
- 31 therapy registry.
- 32 d. Successful completion of a minimum of one thousand two
- 33 hundred hours of clinical training, with at least one hundred
- 34 eighty hours in pre-internship experiences and at least nine
- 35 hundred hours in internship experiences, provided that the

- 1 internship is approved by an academic institution, the American
- 2 music therapy association or any successor organization, or
- 3 both.
- 4 e. Evidence of physical, mental, and professional capability
- 5 for the practice of music therapy in a manner acceptable to the
- 6 board.
- 7 f. Evidence, upon review by the board, that the applicant
- 8 has not had a license to practice music therapy or other health
- 9 care license, registration, or certificate refused, revoked, or
- 10 suspended by any other jurisdiction for reasons that relate to
- 11 the applicant's ability to practice music therapy unless that
- 12 license, registration, or certification has been restored to
- 13 good standing by that jurisdiction.
- 14 2. The application must be accompanied by the license
- 15 fees and application fees established by the board and by the
- 16 documents, affidavits, and certificates necessary to establish
- 17 that the applicant possesses the necessary qualifications.
- 18 Sec. 7. NEW SECTION. 154G.3 Use of title exceptions.
- 19 1. A person shall not represent oneself to the public as a
- 20 music therapist or as being otherwise authorized to practice
- 21 music therapy or use any titles, words, letters, abbreviations,
- 22 or insignia indicating or implying that the person is a
- 23 licensed music therapist unless the person has been licensed
- 24 according to this chapter.
- 25 2. This chapter and chapter 147 do not prevent a person
- 26 licensed in another profession, or personnel supervised by such
- 27 a licensed professional, from providing services consistent
- 28 with the nature of music therapy, but these persons shall not
- 29 use a title or description denoting that they are licensed
- 30 music therapists.
- 31 Sec. 8. NEW SECTION. 154G.4 Duties of the board.
- 32 The board shall adopt rules consistent with this chapter,
- 33 chapter 147, and chapter 272C as necessary for the performance
- 34 of its duties under this chapter, chapter 147, and chapter
- 35 272C.

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- 1 Sec. 9. Section 272C.1, subsection 6, Code 2013, is amended
- 2 by adding the following new paragraph:
- 3 NEW PARAGRAPH. ag. The board of music therapy, created
- 4 pursuant to chapter 147.
- 5 Sec. 10. INITIAL BOARD.
- 6 l. Notwithstanding the requirement of licensure pursuant
- 7 to section 147.14, subsection 1, paragraph "x", the initial
- 8 members of the board of music therapy established pursuant to
- 9 this Act shall be appointed as follows to the following terms:
- 10 a. Two professional members holding a designation described
- 11 in section 154G.2, subsection 1, paragraph "c", and meeting the
- 12 requirements of section 147.16 and one member representing the
- 13 general public shall be appointed for a term of three years.
- 14 b. One professional member holding a designation described
- 15 in section 154G.2, subsection 1, paragraph "c", and meeting the
- 16 requirements of section 147.16 and one member representing the
- 17 general public shall be appointed for a term of two years.
- 18 2. Subsequent appointments to the board shall be for a term
- 19 of three years, in accordance with section 147.19.
- 20 EXPLANATION
- 21 This bill enacts new Code chapter 154G, which requires the
- 22 licensing of music therapists. The bill provides a definition
- 23 for the practice of music therapy.
- 24 The bill provides that the practice of music therapy shall
- 25 be regulated by a board of music therapy. The board consists
- 26 of five members, three music therapists, and two members
- 27 representing the general public.
- 28 The bill empowers the board to establish license fees and
- 29 application fees.
- 30 The bill requires the board of music therapy to adopt
- 31 rules consistent with Code chapter 147, relating to licensure
- 32 of health professionals, generally, new Code chapter 154G,
- 33 and Code chapter 272C, relating to regulation of licensed
- 34 professions and occupations and to continuing education.
- 35 The bill provides for appointment of the initial board of

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1 music therapy.